

Coffeyville Community College

# Raven Review

Alumni Magazine



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Class of 2011!

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## President's Message

Since I began working at CCC in 1994, I have read the College "President's Message" in Raven Review publications. I never really imagined I would be writing my own. But, the Coffeyville Community College Board of Trustees offered me the position of Interim President last September and then announced I would become CCC's next President, effective July 1, 2011. So, my first message will be somewhat of an introduction as the seventh President of Coffeyville Community College.

As an alumna of CCC, I am honored to have been given the opportunity to carry out the current strategic plan of the institution and wholeheartedly agree with our current mission statement. In the weeks and months ahead, I look forward to working with our Board of Trustees to establish our dreams and directions for the College during the next decade, and I encourage you to be actively involved in the upcoming process.

Since its early days, CCC has been an excellent institution of higher learning, maintaining a competitive edge with other two-

year colleges across the nation. Student success has always been the goal, and I continue to believe this is vitally important. The success stories former students bring back to us are amazing. Our 2011 Commencement Speaker is an example of that (see related article on Dwayne Oyler, page 6). You will also learn about improvements we are making in the classrooms, campus security, technological advancement, our great faculty/staff, and students' successes from the 2010 academic year. It has been busy, productive and fun providing opportunities to our Red Raven family. And, I am very proud of all the students and staff who were a part of the campus family this year.

Finally, please accept my sincere "thank you" to everyone who supports Coffeyville Community College. I cannot emphasize enough how much all of us deeply appreciate our faithful alumni and friends. We truly work very hard to keep the outstanding Red Raven traditions going and continue to make improvements to our educational



opportunities. Education and learning are the future; they are important, and we embrace the challenge.

Thank you to the Coffeyville Community College Board of Trustees for giving me the opportunity to lead this College. It is an exciting time, and I look forward to sharing more good news with you in the future. Please continue to follow Coffeyville Community College. There are a lot of great times ahead of us.

# CCC Foundation

The Coffeyville Community College Foundation was established in 1985 with the purpose of providing scholarships and financial assistance to the students at CCC. The Foundation is managed by a board of directors. The mission of the CCC Foundation is to provide CCC and its students with financial support beyond available public funds while enhancing the quality of education to all who may be admitted to the College, and to assist CCC in maintaining a strong fiscal position.

The Foundation's goal is to endow \$16 million. This amount would provide book and tuition scholarships to all students attending CCC. The Foundation has raised \$6 million toward this goal.

When the last item was sold and all donations were accounted for, the May 7, 2011 Endowment Auction was a record-breaking auction. Over \$90,000.00 was received for this year's event. The Foundation would like to express their gratitude to everyone who donated and purchased items to make this a successful event. Attendees enjoyed the appetizer table and started bidding on the silent items. Dinner was served with a delicious buffet and a beautiful cake and cupcake dessert display by Megan Rolls. The gym was decorated in a 1920's décor with antique cars, wood boxes and silhouettes of Charlie Chaplin, dancing flappers and jazz players designed by Chris Cameron and Caleb Coffman. Several attendees wore 20's costumes. The event is

the Foundation's biggest fundraising project. The community of Coffeyville supports the auction in a very big way. Each year the local businesses and community members donate wonderful items, which make the auction a huge success. All the proceeds of the auction go toward scholarships. CCC and the Foundation award approximately 800 scholarships per year. The auction

is always on the first Saturday in May. Mark your calendar, and plan on attending next year to help educate area students who want to make their lives better.

## New Endowed Scholarships (\$15,000 or more):

- Lawrence & Betty Hickey Memorial Scholarship
- Betty Logan Harshaw Memorial Scholarship
- Dala Osborn Scholarship
- Thomas Osborn Pre-Engineering Scholarship
- Ralph Alter Veterinary Scholarship
- Penny Osborn Scholarship
- Ewy Family Elementary Scholar

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- Jimmy Dale Logan Technical Scholarship
- Malon Wheeler Memorial Scholarship

All money donated to the Coffeyville Community College Foundation is used for student scholarships, and the donations are tax deductible. Dollars given to the phon-a-thon and memorials are also tax deductible.

*Dr. Roy Barone and Mary Ann House dress for the 1920's themed CCC Foundation Auction.*



# Alumnus Selected for Blue Man Group

"My ultimate theatrical role was to be a Blue Man. I first saw the show my freshman year at Coffeyville Community College and as soon as I saw it, I knew it was the one thing I wanted to do."

CCC Alumnus, Nick Rush, is realizing his dream as one of the newest members of the popular and unique percussion ensemble, the Blue Man Group. The Blue Man Group is best known for its widely popular theatrical shows and concerts that combine music, comedy and multimedia theatrics to produce a totally unique form of entertainment. Rush has spent the last three years watching for an opportunity to audition for the group.

In the summer of 2010, the Blue Man Group held an open casting call at the Briar Street Theater, where they perform in Chicago. Rush was invited to audition following the submission of his headshot and resume. He made it through the first round and was called back with 12 other aspiring Blue Men to audition for the Director of Performer Training and Development. At the end of round two, Rush was still in the running with a group of six, who were invited for a third casting call. Rush made it through the initial auditions and was invited to attend Blue Man training camp from September 7 through October 29 in New York City. At any point in those eight weeks he

could be cut, but the opportunity to become one of the Blue Men was worth it for Rush.

It was a two-month process of training to become a Blue Man that included learning and fine tuning the show and then performing in New York. Once selected as a permanent member, Rush performed the show in Boston for a week, Orlando for two months and then returned

to Chicago where he is a permanent cast member. Rush performs with the Blue Men at the Briar Street

## Blue Man Facts

- Costume and makeup take about 30 minutes
- Painting the head blue takes 5 minutes
- The makeup doesn't stain the skin
- The head is covered with a latex bald cap and then painted with blue grease paint
- It takes 10 minutes to get out of costume and take off the paint
- Blue Men are 5'10" to 6'1" tall
- Members have percussion and drum skills
- Members must be able to express emotions and communicate non-verbally
- Members must be willing to explore an alternative acting style
- Members must have the ability to work as a team

version of the show, but it is open to interpretation and improvisation depending on the night. The audience energy often determines how much the show changes. Sometimes the shows go as scripted, and then there are the shows with silly tricks and humor that truly challenge the actors to

keep a straight face.

"Sometimes we have very subtle ways of messing with each other that the audience can't recognize, and it makes us laugh very hard," said Rush. "Sometimes it is the audience that makes you want to laugh. A show I did recently had an elderly man sitting in the front row and from start to finish of the show, he had the biggest smile on his face. He was loving every second of what the show stands for, and that makes me smile with joy."

"We actually have a lot of freedom to add creativity of our own to each performance," said Rush. "Although all of us are trained to do things the same way technically, our own personality is what makes each of our Blue Men unique and different."

The training process to become a Blue Man is challenging. The type of acting is different than theatrical acting. There are techni-



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cal aspects of the show that were a challenge for Rush to learn such as the transition between scenes, making spin art by spinning paint, and the talent of catching 30 marshmallows with his mouth. Rush's training started on the stage in Coffeyville.

"Everything I learned from

my instructors at CCC helped me so much. All of the acting advice and their focus and attention make them an awesome group of directors," said Rush. "One of my best memories from CCC was rehearsing for the Rocky Horror Show. It was a different environment to be in for a couple of months, as there were

only three of us living on campus during rehearsal prior to the start of school."

Among his talents, Rush studied percussion instruments for eight years. He attended CCC on a theatre scholarship and performed in a variety of musicals and plays, including the role of Riff Raff in The Rocky Horror Show, Eugene in Brighton Beach Memoirs and Paris in The Rock of Troy. He returned to CCC to play Johnny in the alumni dinner theatre production of Tony and Tina's Wedding. Rush has training in stage movement, stage combat, voice and diction, acting styles, improvisation, and acting. Following graduation in 2008, Rush moved to Chicago where he has continued acting, including performances as Romeo in two productions of Romeo and Juliet. Rush has also done film acting, including Next in Line, Gabriel and Penitence by Dakota Miller and Reverse by W. Colin McKay.

Rush can now add the Blue Man Group to his growing theatrical resume. He also hopes to return to Coffeyville in the fall of 2011 to perform in the CCC theatre alumni dinner show.

For more information about the Blue Man Group, visit the website at [www.blueman.com](http://www.blueman.com), or find the troupe on Facebook.

# Dwayne Oyler

"It took a pretty long and fascinating journey for me to find something that I truly love to do," said Dwayne Oyler.

For Architect and Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc) faculty member, Oyler's journey began in Coffeyville. Oyler graduated from Field Kindley High School in 1990 and then completed his associates degree at Coffeyville Community College in 1992. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Architecture from Kansas State University and a Master of Architecture from Harvard University Graduate School of Design. Oyler was awarded the Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill Traveling Fellowship in 1996.

"Education has always been more about an exposure to the world, new ideas, and different perspectives than it has been about obtaining a fixed knowledge base," said Oyler. "Education is a platform for you to discover what it is you do - not just how to do it."

In 2000, Oyler, along with Jenny Wu, established the office of Oyler Wu Collaborative, currently based in Los Angeles. Their work includes installations in Taipei and Los Angeles, and residences in Boston and Inner Mongolia. The first office publication entitled, "Pendulum Plane," was published in August of 2009. Their work has been published internationally, and they

are the recent winners of the 2010 Arch Is Competition sponsored by the Los Angeles AIA.

"I don't think any of us is

entitled to anything that isn't a product of our own accomplishment and hard work," said Oyler. "Money, a title, someone else's satisfaction - none of that means anything compared to you spending each and every day doing what you truly enjoy

doing. I believe there is no greater path toward the discovery of that love than education."

Oyler has also worked in the office of Toshiko Mori, Architect, and has collaborated with Lebbeus Woods on numerous projects. Oyler has taught at the Southern California Institute of Architec-

ture (SCI-Arc), and the Research Institute for Experimental Architecture in Vico Morcote, Switzerland. Prior to relocating to Los Angeles in 2004, Oyler taught in the Thesis Design Studio program at Cooper Union for the advancement for Arts and Sciences in New York City. Oyler currently teaches in both the graduate and undergraduate programs at the Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc).

"We don't just build knowledge. Knowledge

is replaced, adaptable, evolving and expanding," said Oyler. "There is perhaps no greater student than the individual with a positive outlook, and an undying curiosity about what the world has to offer."

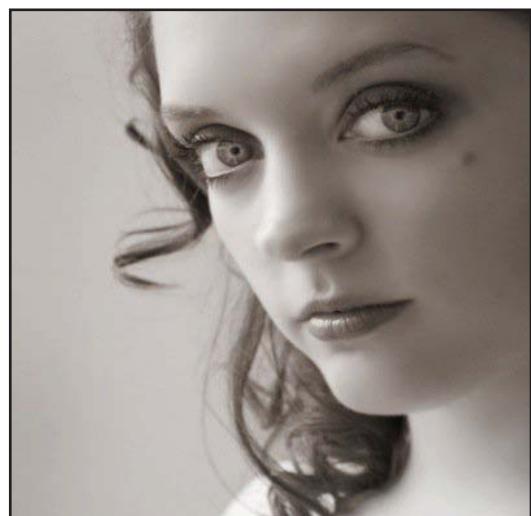


A 1992 CCC graduate, Dwayne Oyler, was chosen as the 2011 graduation speaker.

# Sarah Rush

CCC Alumna, Sarah (McConnell) Rush, is currently performing in a production of Hamlet with a theatre company in Chicago. She is also going to the National Puppetry festival in Atlanta, GA, in July, with a theatre company she worked for in

the summer of 2010. Sarah is married to Blue Man, Nick Rush. The couple met in the theatre program at CCC.



# Distinguished Alumni & Friends

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Coffeyville Community College (CCC) honored Lue Barndollar at the annual Distinguished Alumni and Friends Banquet on Friday, October 15. Barndollar has bachelors and masters degrees in English and an Education Specialist degree in community college education. She has been a Red Raven since joining the College in 1978 as an English instructor. During her tenure at CCC, Barndollar worked as the Honors Program Coordinator, Division Chair, Academic Challenge Coach, Humanities Tour Leader and a Grant Coordinator. Her work in the classroom has been recognized in a number of ways. She was CCC's first faculty member to earn the Distinguished Professor award in 1985. She was the recipient of an Award for Teaching Excellence from the International Institute for Staff and Organization Development (NISOD), in Austin, TX, and was named the Coffeyville Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Educator in Higher Education.

An active volunteer in the Coffeyville community, Barndollar currently serves on the Coffeyville Community College Board of Trustees, the Coffeyville Community College Foundation Board, the Coffeyville Historical Society and the Friends of the Brown Mansion. At various times she has served as

a Sunday school teacher, Camp Fire Leader, Cub Scout Den Mother, PTA Picture Lady, Red Cross Water-Safety Instructor and as a trustee of the Coffeyville Public Library.

Barn-dollar has several published works related to Coffeyville history.

She is the author of A History of the Coffeyville Public Library: 1887-1987 (1987), An Analysis of the Characteristics of Coffeyville Community College Students Compared with the Characteristics of Community College Students Throughout the Nation (1990), and What Really



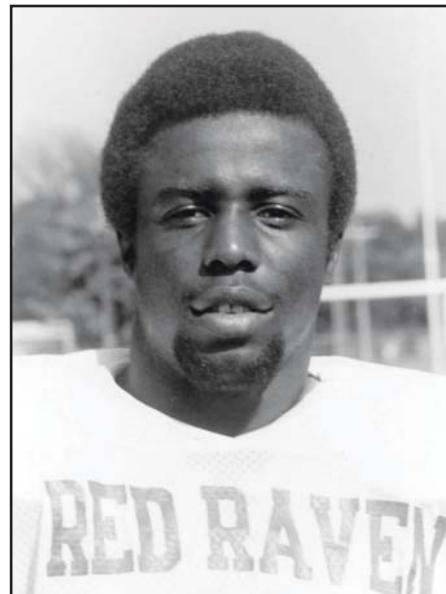
Happened on October 5, 1892: An Attempt at an Accurate Account of the Dalton Gang and Coffeyville (1992).

Barndollar joins 25 other alumni and CCC friends who have been recognized through the Distinguished Alumni and Friends Award.

## Ron Springs Dies at 54

Ron Springs, a former Red Raven running back who played for Dick Foster in 1975, passed away on May 12 in Dallas at the age of 54. Springs still holds the single season rushing record at CCC with 2,047 yards. He transferred to Ohio State and later played in the NFL with the Dallas Cowboys

and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He was inducted into the CCC Lettermen's Hall of Fame in 1998. He is survived by wife Adrienne, a son, Shawn who also played in the NFL, and two daughters.



# Ward Studies International Food Safety

"I believe that whatever you pursue in life, you should set your goals high," said Shanna Ward. "You might surprise yourself at how far you get." Ward sets her own goals high and has reaped the benefits of success. A native of Coffeyville, Ward attended Coffeyville Community College in 2006 and 2007. Ward's academic excellence earned her a spot on the Eta Gamma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, where she served as president. She was a Red Raven Student Ambassador, a member of the Aggie Club, and one of the 2007 Reserve National Champion Junior College Meat Judging Team. One of her favorite memories of CCC is being a part of the first Red Raven Holiday. She attributes much of her success to the faculty and staff at CCC, in particular Chemistry faculty, Amy Lumley, Agriculture instructor, Derek Dick and her Meats Judging Coach, Tyler Hickman.

"The three of them have such a strong passion for education and the students," said

Ward. "CCC gave me the drive to further involve myself in the same way at a larger university."

During her bachelor's degree, Ward completed a summer internship at the Tyson Foods, Inc. headquarters in Springdale, Ark. She worked with marketing and sales specialists, as well as consumers, and assisted with making new products for restaurants, such as Arby's, Wendy's and Applebees. She worked on two large research projects to better Tyson products. The experience solidified her desire to work in food safety.

## **"Being a Red Raven says a lot about hometown pride."**

**"Most people think that food safety has been figured out and that you should just cook products to the correct temperature. However, I have found out first hand that food safety is an ongoing process of new ideas and findings in the bacteria world. Although many countries across the world have good food safety plans in place, the U.S. is setting the bar tremendously high. I have learned that our help in other countries is extremely needed and it does a heart good to know that I could save a child's life. At Texas Tech we have been blessed to work with many different countries' universities to collaborate and make a plan toward a safer world food supply."**

- Shanna Ward

come the 2008 National Champion Senior College Meat Judging Team. She also joined the Texas Tech College of Agriculture recruiting organization called AgriTechsans, served as president of the Block and Bridle club and of the Meat Science Association. Ward earned her bachelor's degree in Meat Science in May of 2010 and was invited to return to the University as a food safety graduate research assistant and to coach the meats judging team.

Ward has been studying food safety and traveling to Mexico a number of times working on her master's thesis titled, "Effects of lactic acid and potassium lactate on Salmonella levels on non-federally inspected whole muscle beef steaks



*Shanna Ward with a street meat vendor in Veracruz, Mexico.*

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*Shanna Ward in a San Juan outdoor market, just outside of Mexico City, Mexico. Ward has been working on her master's thesis in food safety.*

purchased in meat markets of Mexico.”

“I am also looking at the seasonal effects on these steaks I purchase, as it is a known fact that in the hotter months more bacteria such as Salmonella will rapidly grow,” said Ward. “I am focused primarily on the cities of Cancun,

Merida, Veracruz, and Mexico City.”

Ward travels to Mexico on a regular basis as part of her research. She tells other travelers that everything at most hotels and resorts in Mexico is safe to eat and drink except the water. She warns to avoid salads and ice in drinks at restau-

rants. For those staying in Mexico for long periods of time, fruits and vegetables are safe to purchase and eat, but meat products should only be purchased from chain grocery stores.

Ward chose food safety in part due to the growing need for safe food and production. Her goal is to work as a food scientist in the research and development department of a large meat production company.

“I love what I do,” said Ward. “There is no better feeling than to discover a tasty new product, or develop a new way to process product through a meat production facility.”

In 2008, Ward was a member of the 2008 Texas Tech National Champion Meats Judging Team. That experience and her meat science background made her the perfect candidate to coach the Texas Tech Meats Judging Team. Her team took second at the National Western Stock Show in Denver this year and then won the Southwestern in Fort Worth and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. The team has been working to prepare for an Australian Meat Judging Contest this summer.

Ward also teaches various lectures in different Meat Science courses at Texas Tech. She is the Southern Region Director for the American Meat Science Association’s Student Board. Ward will graduate with her master’s degree in December of 2011 and would like to return to the Coffeyville area to work.

“Being a Red Raven says a lot about hometown pride,” said Ward. “I grew up in Coffeyville, and almost everyone in my immediate family received a degree from CCC. My time at CCC gave me many life-long friends and memories.”

## Retiree Celebration

Coffeyville Community College (CCC) held its fourth annual Wall of Honor Retiree Celebration on Friday, October 15. The event was designed to give recognition to those who worked at CCC for 10 years or more as well as recognize faculty who are newly retired. In 2010, Linda McFate and Barbara Jean Pendleton joined five other former faculty members on the Wall of Honor. New retirees at CCC are Lynda Durham, Carolyn and Bruce LaPota and Waneta Davis.

When McFate started her teaching career at CCC, she worked in the Home Economics area and would get black and white films from the state health department to show in class.

"We've come a long way since then," she said. "I feel lucky to have been mentored by Barbara Jean and Mary Ann Pendleton, as they knew everything about CCC and this community. I loved Friday afternoons in the break room, and I knew that I was among greatness."

McFate retired and then came back to CCC as the sponsor of the Eta Gamma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) honor society. This turned into a full-time passion



and one that Linda shares with her husband.

"Before she was the PTK Queen, she was the 'Make It With Wool' Queen," said Vice President for Learning, Alycia Johnston.

"She also did the cheese festival, that is how I learned what Gouda was," said Vice President for Innovation and Business Initiatives, Marlon Thornburg.

Regardless of the project, she dedicated herself one hundred percent, and it is always the students who were and continue to be McFate's priority.

"It is the students' continued accomplishments that give me the energy to keep going," said McFate. "Three former PTK members are now in medical school, and many have gone on to become lawyers and teachers. I am so proud of all PTK students."

"I have a sheet of paper pinned to my bulletin board that says, 'I touch the future, I teach.' I think teaching is a sacred responsibility," said McFate. "I think that no matter what we do, we need to do it with passion. I can't believe I get paid for something I love to do."

She was known as the biggest Red Raven Fan or "Mrs. Red Raven." Barbara Jean Pendleton taught English at CCC and was



*The 2010 CCC Retirees include (l-r) Bruce and Carolyn LaPota and Waneta Davis. Not pictured: Lynda Durham.*

honored posthumously. Her granddaughter, Courtney Callaway, joined Mary Ann Pendleton at the Wall of Honor dinner as her family representatives.

"I could always count on her when I needed something," said former football coach, Dick Foster. "No one connected with CCC or knew as much about life in Coffeyville as B.J."

Former Red Raven football player, John Tuttle, attended the dinner and spoke fondly of his memories of B.J. "She was a beautiful person."

In an archived video interview with B.J. she said, "There is nothing like the Ravens."

"She was a great mentor. I learned that it is a gratuity and not a tip," said Linda McFate. "The most special of all – she taught me how to be a grandma and how important her grandkids were to her."

Visitors to CCC can view photos of the Wall of Honor Retirees in the newly remodeled hall outside of the theatre and business offices in the Arts and Sciences Building.

**CCC PTK Sponsor and former faculty member, Linda McFate.**

# Campus Technology Expansion

Technology has greatly changed the college landscape and student expectations of their school. It's a challenge to keep up, but CCC is making a commitment to meet those expectations in a digital age.

A congressionally directed grant from the U.S. Department of Education has provided Coffeyville Community College with resources to improve campus classroom technology and security. CCC received \$500,000 with this federal grant. The money was used for several purposes, including expanding the Native American/ Student Success Center. This facility, located in Weinberg Hall, provides tutoring, information access

and other academic services to students at CCC. In 2010, 25 new computer workstations were added, and software rights to interactive programming have been purchased. A room divider has been erected to enclose the space to provide a quiet, engaging learning environment.

The grant has also allowed the College to update technology in the classroom. At the grant's completion, 19 SMART classrooms will be available on campus. SMART classroom provide instruc-

tors access to a variety of multimedia equipment, such as broadband Internet access, presentation tools, including projectors, and a variety of interactive boards, access to a network file server, and the ability to plug in a variety of external audio and visual devices. The grant will provide instructor training on how to properly use this equipment and associated software.

With the investment made in classroom technology, the Col-

is scheduled to go online in July 2011, allowing improved access for staff members to post and update content, and improved access for the end user. The site will have mobile phone support and will better integrate content from Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

The College will continue to expand the number and variety of online courses. Students now have the ability to earn an associate's degree from CCC by taking only online courses after receiving accreditation approval.

New digital editing equipment and cameras in the marketing department have allowed CCC to expand its video coverage of events and activities. CCC has its own



lege has also improved the security within classroom areas. Security cameras have been installed in the main academic buildings at CCC. Weinberg Hall and the Arts and Sciences Building are now monitored including hallways and learning spaces. Keyless entry systems will also be installed to access high tech learning spaces.

The college web site will be upgraded by utilizing a web portal approach to improve the delivery of academic and other public information. The new web site

YouTube Channel with a growing number of videos covering nearly every aspect of college life.

Alumni, fans and future students of CCC can utilize the newly redesigned website, Twitter, YouTube and multiple Facebook accounts to remain connected to Red Raven Country.

# Technical Campus

## CCC Expands Program Offerings with Federal Title III Funding

With the aid of a \$1.98 million federal Title III grant in 2008, CCC has added two new programs to the Coffeyville Technical Campus operations: Construction (2009) and Precision Machining (2010). Both programs utilize advisory committees, which are made up of business and industry leaders who provide direction on the skills needed for entry level workers in these fields. The Title III grant is a five-year grant, which helps educational institutions develop and expand programs to meet community needs. CCC is in year three of the grant. The next phase of the grant is focused on the Information Systems program. CCC staff are currently establishing the curriculum for the program to start in August.

## Nursing Program 100% Passage

CCC started a Nursing program in January of 2010. The program was approved by the Kansas State Board

of Nursing in September of 2009 to accept 24 students in both the Practical Nursing (PN) and Registered Nursing (RN) levels. CCC started the first PN class in January of 2010. Of the 20 students who made it to the final test to

take the NCLEX-PN exam, which is required for licensure, all 20 passed to become Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN). The PN graduates matriculated into the Registered Nursing classes in February 2011. A new class of 24 PN students started at CCC in January 2011.

## CCC Expands Welding Program

At the request of business and industry leaders in the Columbus area, CCC expanded the Welding program to the Columbus campus. With the assistance of a federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant, a state workforce development grant, and a large private donation, the College was able to build a suitable facility in Columbus to house the Welding and Construction programs. CCC completed the expansion project in 2010 and has operated the Welding program at capacity in the first two years. CCC operates six programs in the Columbus area, including Allied Health, Auto Service, Busi-

ness/Computers, Collision Repair, Construction, and Welding.

## Construction Program Relocated

The CCC Construction Program in Coffeyville relocated to a new, larger shop facility in the spring of 2011 to address safety issues. CCC purchased the old Locke Electric building in downtown Coffeyville to house the Construction program. The new location is six times larger and will provide adequate space for rough cut and finish operations, and classroom space.

## Machining Program Ramps Up

With the assistance of federal Title III grant funding, CCC has purchased new Computer Numeric Control (CNC) equipment to provide students with training on industry standard equipment. A new CNC lathe and mill were purchased in the fall of 2010. The program trains students on manual and CNC machining operations, in addition to



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blueprint reading, metallurgy, precision measurement, and workplace ethics.

## Allied Health Programs

To address the need for medical professionals, CCC provides Certified Nurse Aide (CNA), Certified Medication Aide (CMA), Home Health Aide, and re-certifications for area residents to prepare them to work in healthcare facilities. In addition, CCC offers a two-year Medical Assisting program, which results in certifications in Phlebotomy and Medical Assisting. The program prepares students to sit for the Registered Medical Assistant (RMA) certification. The program recently added a Medical Office Specialist option, which incorporates medical insurance, coding and billing course work with Microsoft Office skills. This option allows students to work primarily in a healthcare office environment.

**For more information about these programs, contact the CCC Technical Campus office at (620) 252-7550 ext. 10.**

provides opportunities for laid-off workers to gain additional skills and/or complete a certificate or degree program. CCC offers 11 programs to the Coffeyville area, including Allied Health, Auto Service, Business/Computers, Collision Repair, Information Systems, Construction, Electrical, Medical Assisting, Nursing, Precision Machining, and Welding.

## Department of Energy Grant

CCC, in a partnership with Pratt Community College (PCC), Dodge City Community College (DCC), Flint Hills Technical College (FHTC), and Manhattan Area Technical College (MATC), is participating in the development of Smart Metering training initiatives through a Department of Energy

grant. Smart metering is utilized in the electric utility field to provide digital data from electric meters to the electric company and ultimately back to the consumer. Smart metering will provide consumers with electric usage information to allow consumers to adjust their usage habits to become more energy

efficient. Smart metering will eventually be tied in with new generation smart energy efficient appliances in homes. The partner colleges are also working on other energy efficiency projects, including solar training initiatives.

## Electric Program Incorporates HVAC

Beginning in the fall of 2011, CCC will adjust the current Electrical Technology program curriculum to incorporate a Heating, Ventilation, and Airconditioning (HVAC) class. This change will allow Electrical Technology students to learn basic electrical skills utilized in the HVAC industry. Last fall CCC offered an HVAC class in the evenings for area contractors to attain their EPA certification card.

## CCC and PCC Partner for Lineman Training

CCC, in a partnership with Pratt Community College (PCC) and the City of Coffeyville, is providing Electric Power Technology (commonly called Lineman) training for southeast Kansas. At the request of the City of Coffeyville, CCC enlisted the assistance of PCC to expand their Electric Power Technology program to Coffeyville. CCC provides classroom and office space, PCC provides the instructor and curriculum, and the City of Coffeyville provides the lab training space, poles for climbing activities and use of back-up equipment. The region is experiencing a high demand for linemen with the incorporation of wind farms in Kansas.

## Retraining for Workers

CCC is a Workforce Investment Administration (WIA) approved training provider that

## Athletic Update

The past year has seen many accomplishments within the Coffeyville Community College athletic department.

Following the 2010-11 school year, 26 student athletes were honored as Academic All-Americans by the NJCAA. Two of those students earn 4.0 grade point averages and were considered Pinnacle Award winners for academic excellence.

The CCC track team had 21 athletes qualify for the national outdoor meet. Sophomore javelin thrower Jon Rizzo and freshman long jumper Kadeem Douglas won individual national titles at the NJCAA National Outdoor Track and Field Championships held in Hutchinson, Kansas.

The 2011 baseball team played hard to earn a spot in the Super Region championship game. However, Seward County defeated Coffeyville 11-1, and the Saints advanced to the Region VI Tournament. Coffeyville ends the season with a 27-31 overall record, including a fourth place finish in the Jayhawk East with a 19-17 conference mark.

The Red Raven softball team concluded the 2011 season with an 11-30 record, but improved dramatically through the season and were 8-9 in the final 17 games.

The women's soccer team will have a new coach for next season. Christie Ellis has taken over the head coaching position and will continue to build a competitive program. Courey Feerer will return for his seventh season as the head men's soccer coach. Both teams play games at Veterans Memorial Stadium, and the 2011 season will begin in August.

*Jon Rizzo, of Goddard, Ks.  
was the 2011 NJCAA National  
Champion in javelin.*

The Red Raven volleyball team came within one match of reaching the national tournament in 2011. The Ravens lost the District N Championship game to Cowley. The Ravens finished with a 24-19 record behind head coach Delice Downing, the school's all-time winningest coach.

The Red Raven golf team placed fifth at the Jayhawk Conference Championship played at the Sand Creek Station Golf Course in Newton, Kansas. Sand Creek Station is a par 72 course, and 6,800

yards in length. Talor Smith, a freshman from Independence, Kan., competed at the NJCAA Women's National Tournament, May 16-19. Smith shot rounds of 110, 113, 106 and 107 for a four-day total of 436.

The football team won their first six games of the 2010 season and were ranked as high as #3 in the NJCAA poll. The Ravens finished the season 6-5, including an appearance in the Graphic Edge Bowl in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in November.

Two former Ravens had



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big years in the college football ranks. Brandon Mosley, who played for the Ravens in 2009, started at right tackle for Auburn in 2010 and played in Auburn's national championship game victory over Oregon.

Former Raven quarterback Nick Hardesty, currently a senior at Henderson State University, was one of nine national finalists for the Harlon Hill Trophy as the NCAA Division II College Football Player of the Year. Hardesty had a dominating season for the Reddies this past year, completing 320 of 507 passes for over 4,000 yards and 30 touchdowns. During the course of the season, Hardesty set 17 school records, including a record streak of eight games of throwing for more than 300 yards.

CCC Athletic Director and former Head Football Coach Jeff Leiker was inducted into the NJCAA Football Hall of Fame in 2010. Leiker amassed a coaching record of 89-35 during his eleven

year career at Garden City and Coffeyville. He was 56-24 in seven years at Coffeyville and led the Ravens to six straight bowl appearances.

It's been a good basketball season for the Lady Ravens, possibly even exceeding realistic expectations. The Lady Ravens won 20-plus games for the 14th straight year with a roster of nearly all freshmen. The Lady Ravens won 21 games heading into their second round Region 6 Tournament game in Wichita. Unfortunately, the Lady Ravens would not get win number 22 against the Cloud County Lady Thunderbirds.

The men's basketball team has consistently been ranked in the top 10 in the NJCAA poll this season. The team defeated #1 ranked Midland College to win the inaugural Juco Elite 8 Tournament in November. Head Coach Jay Herkelman has achieved two additional milestones this season. Herkelman won his 400<sup>th</sup> career

game in November and moved into the #1 spot on the conference win charts in December. The Red Ravens defeated Shelton State (Alabama) 70-62 to claim fifth place at the national tournament in Hutchinson. The Ravens have placed all six years that Head Coach Jay Herkelman has led the Ravens to the national tournament in the past 10 years.

The Red Raven cheer and dance teams competed at the UCA/UDA National Championship in Orlando, Fla. The cheer team came away with a sixth place finish in the Small Co-ed Division II. The Red Raven dance team came away with a fifth place finish in the open pom division. The national cheer and dance performances can be viewed on the college web site at [www.coffeyville.edu](http://www.coffeyville.edu).

The CCC web site also has the latest rosters, schedules and results for all Red Raven sports.

# Activities Update

## Academic Challenge

The CCC Academic Challenge Team is coached by Danny Funk and Ryan Butcher. The team had a successful fall, including a third place finish at the Snow Bowl Tournament. A new class in the spring provided a practice venue and a fun way to learn trivia. The team took fourth place in the state championship tournament.

## PTK

The Eta Gamma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society continues its streak of academic excellence and giving back. PTK members participated in a variety of fundraisers, attended the Kansas Region Honors in Action Conference, helped with Operation Christmas Child in Denver, Colo., assisted with the St. Jude Memphis Memorial Weekend, sponsored Haunted Mansion Tours and worked closely with the College's Relay For Life Team. CCC's Chapter was once again named the Most Outstanding Kansas Region Chapter.

## Agriculture

CCC's Agriculture program continues to excel in and out of the classroom. Ag students placed in all but one contest at the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) contest. CCC will host the 2012 NACTA conference.

The CCC Meats Judging Team won reserve champion at the American Royal contest in October 2010 and took third overall at the National Western Stock Show in Denver this January. Two students placed in the top 10 individually at the Denver contest. The team won overall high team at the Houston Livestock Show.

The CCC Rodeo team ended the regular season with two ropers headed to the College National Finals, Gable Hilderbrand and Cale Markham. Some of the CCC team members have had successful seasons outside of the collegiate rodeo arena. The team ropers did very well at the United States Team Roping Championships in October, with Joel Nunneley

winning \$21,000, Hilderbrand collecting over \$15,000, and Cale Markham won about \$3,500. The 2010 National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Academic All-Americans were announced in the fall. There were 54 recipients out of approximately 2,500 NIRA members, and CCC had two—Gable Hilderbrand and Levi Wilson.

The Livestock Judging Team, coached by Trae Simmons, has been competitive this year as they won high team in swine, beef and reasons and were named the champion overall freshman team at the AK-SAR-BEN contest in Nebraska, where they competed against teams from all over the U.S. At the Southern Stockman individual judging contest, CCC freshman Hilary Bush took fourth overall and was in the top 10 in all four divisions.

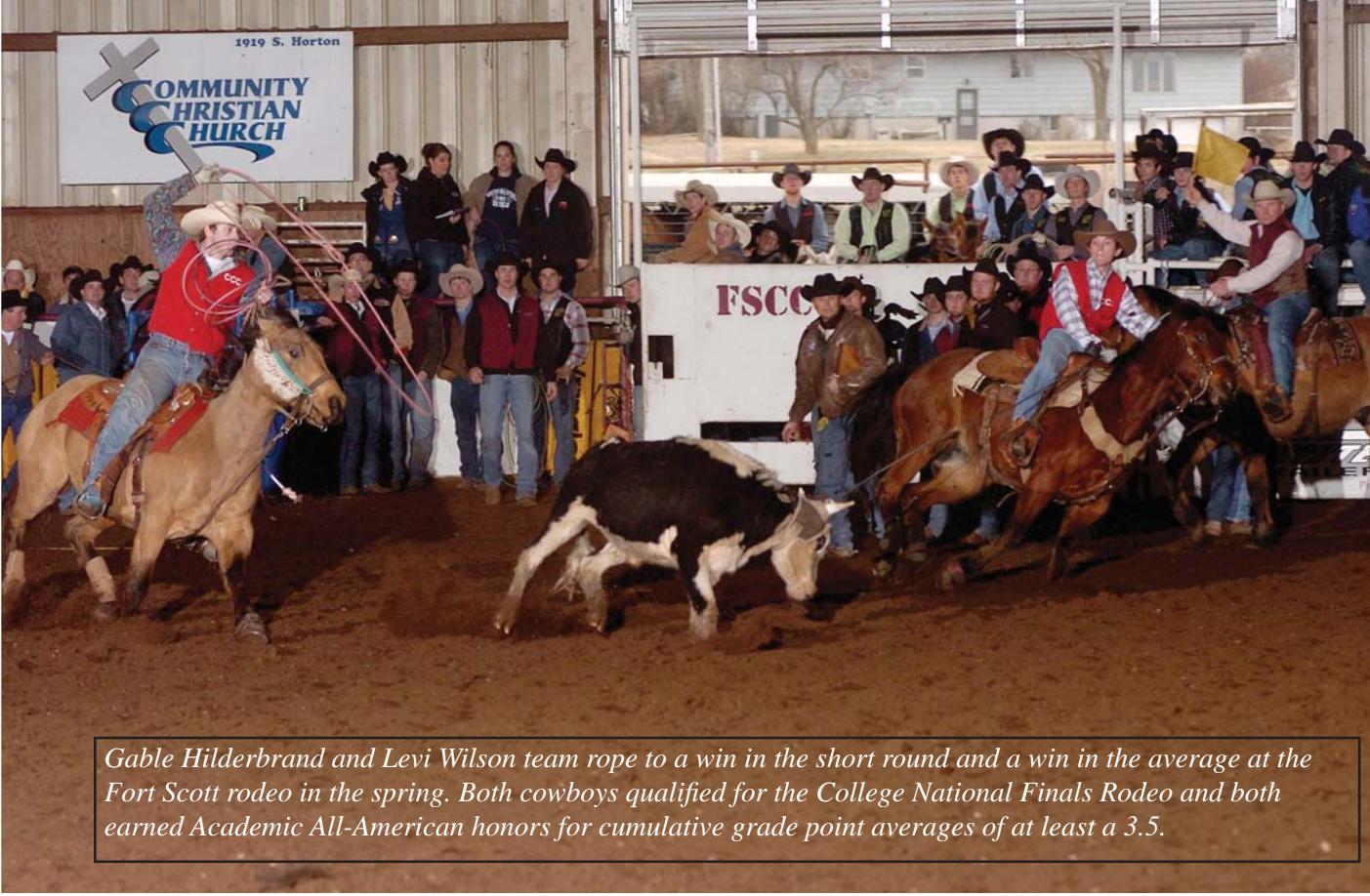
## Athletic Training

The Athletic Training department experienced many changes in the fall semester. They moved to a new location on campus, in the basement

*Red Raven Soundsations*



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*Gable Hilderbrand and Levi Wilson team rope to a win in the short round and a win in the average at the Fort Scott rodeo in the spring. Both cowboys qualified for the College National Finals Rodeo and both earned Academic All-American honors for cumulative grade point averages of at least a 3.5.*

of the Student Union. Whitney Ryan also joined the team.

## Student Government

The Student Government Association is becoming more involved on CCC's campus and hosting more events for students. The Student Government Association hosted a Red Out pep rally during a home basketball game, an impromptu Snow Bowl football game, movie nights, the Greatest Day Ever and more.

## Theatre

CCC's theatre program leads the region with the most productions each year. Recent hits include the Children's Summer Theatre production of "Annie," "The Wizard of Oz," Shakespeare's "Macbeth" and "A Streetcar Named Desire."

## Broadcast

The Skills USA broadcast teams from CCC won medals at state competition and will represent Coffeyville at the national contest in June. In the spring of 2011 CCC launched a live video streaming service on its web site at [www.coffeyville.edu](http://www.coffeyville.edu) and will utilize this

to broadcast sporting and other events.

## Art

The first Coffeyville mural painted by community member Don Sprague received a facelift over the summer by CCC's art instructor, Michael DeRosa. The mural was painted in 1988 and depicts what downtown Coffeyville looked like in 1892. The mural is located on the south side of the Cultural Arts building in downtown Coffeyville.

## Native American Leadership

The Native American Leadership program welcomed new coach and CCC alumna, Taylor Davis. The group has been involved in many projects, including collecting donations to support troops in Afghanistan. The program celebrated Native American Heritage month by reading cultural stories to fifth graders at Community Elementary and hosting a Fry Bread Day on CCC's campus. Students in the program attended the Denver March Powwow in Colorado over spring break and hosted the Rally in the Valley, a youth competition powwow.

## Music

CCC's Music Department has hosted several events, including a choir clinic in October and two concerts in November featuring three different choirs and two bands. The Mens4 choral music group sang the national anthem for the prestigious 891st Engineer Ball for the National Guard. The CCC Instrumental Music Department hosted the Southeast Kansas Marching Invitational on October 9. Three hundred and thirty-two students from seven area high schools and their families gathered at Veterans Memorial Stadium for the competition. CCC piano students shared their talent with residents at Windsor Place as they performed their final exam pieces at the assisted living facility. Four of CCC's band students were selected to perform with the Kansas Intercollegiate Band in the fall of 2010.

For the most current events, concerts and information about the Red Raven activity programs, visit the website at [www.coffeyville.edu](http://www.coffeyville.edu).

# A Letter of Appreciation

Dear President,

As one of your graduates (1954), I have never contacted Coffeyville College or expressed my profound appreciation for the start it gave to my professional career or the importance it had in my life. I am forever indebted to faculty like Bill Cavanaugh and J. Henry Hedley, who were my mentors and advisors at CCC.

I was discharged in June 1952 from the U.S. Air Force and got married that same month. My wife was an elementary school teacher in Coffeyville, and we moved into an apartment. CCC was available and had an excellent reputation, so I enrolled that fall. I worked part-time as a bookkeeper on a bank construction job and then took a bookkeeping job with Thompson Brothers Welding Supply on the highway west of town.

I graduated with honors from CCC in 1954. Upon being recommended by the faculty to the University of Tulsa College of Business Administration, I was admitted on an academic scholarship. I graduated from TU with honors in 1956. I worked in the TU Business Office as a student from 1954-56. I was serving on the TU alumni Board of Directors in 1961 when John A. Hayes, my former boss, approached me about coming back to TU as chief accountant. I was a CPA for a national public accounting firm with a promising future, but personal and family issues at the time made the TU position attractive. I retired in 1995 as associate vice president and controller and was awarded emeritus status by the Board of Trustees and presented a “centennial citation”.

Working in the non-profit and/or government arenas may not be as financially lucrative as other careers, but there are intangible and other rewards which make it worthwhile. With increased emphasis on accountability, financial integrity, and Internal Revenue Service reporting, well-trained, educated, and dedicated professionals are needed. Once again, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation for everything CCC did to “jump start” my career and giving me the opportunities to attend college and further my education.

- John Osborne

## Alumni News

### **Raymond Boyd**

Raymond Boyd is a member of the Coffeyville Field Kindley High School class of 1938. He attended Coffeyville Junior College before moving into a career as a field service representative in the aircraft industry for 45 years. Ray retired after his last assignment in Israel from 1979 through 1984. He retired to Florida in 1984. Ray and his wife Dora met in a singles club in Buffalo, New York, in May of 1973. The couple were married on July 26, 1975 and celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in 2010.

in the first round of the 2011 NFL draft and will play next year for the Seattle Seahawks. A complete list of the former Red Ravens who play in the NFL can be found at <http://www.coffeyville.edu/athletics/football/wherenow.htm>.

### **Brandon Mosely**

Former Red Raven, Brandon Mosely won the BCS championship game this year when he played for Auburn University. Mosely is the third Red Raven in a row to be on a winning BCS team.

### **James Carpenter**

James Carpenter was the 2007-08 CCC offensive tackle first team NJCAA All-American. He was a two-year starter at the University of Alabama and a member of the 2010 National Champion team. He was selected 25th overall

# Leave Your Legacy

It is never too early (or late) to start thinking about the kind of legacy you want to leave at Coffeyville Community College. There are many ways you can make a great impact and ensure a successful future for the students, faculty and staff of CCC. As a former Red Raven and a proud alumnus of CCC, your role is an important one.

## Alumni Recruiter

Help the admissions office show future Red Ravens what CCC can do for them. Call Jill at 620-252-7137 for the most current information and the numerous ways you can help grow CCC.

## Join the Alumni Association

As an Alumni Association member, you will receive a 10% discount at the CCC bookstore in addition to recognition and member advantages.

## Donate to the Foundation

Whether it is your gift during the annual phone-a-thon, your bid at the Foundation Auction or any other donation, your gift will help fund the collegiate experience for future

Red Ravens. Scholarship funding is in need of your contribution.

## Estate Planning

When planning your estate, remember Coffeyville Community College.

For a complete guide to planned giving and more information, contact Dickie Rolls at the CCC Foundation, 620-252-7575. CCC and future Red Ravens thank you for your support!

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# Mark Your Calendar

October 7 - Distinguished Alumni and Friends Luncheon

October 8 - Lettermen's Hall of Fame Luncheon and Inductions

October 8 - Homecoming Football Game

November 18 - 6th Annual Red Raven Holiday

May 5, 2012 - Foundation Auction

May 12, 2012 - Graduation

A complete calendar of Red Raven Events is located at

**[www.coffeyville.edu](http://www.coffeyville.edu)**

## Red Ravens Interactive!

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# Champions Making Champions!

Coffeyville Community College is embarking on a \$300,000 fundraising campaign to update, restore, and repair the Dick Foster Athletic Complex. We need your help and are asking for a \$50.00 gift to make this happen.

Built in 1997, the Dick Foster Complex is desperately in need of roof and ceiling repairs, new doors, new flooring, improvements to existing lockers and locker rooms, and up-to-date weight room equipment. All CCC athletic programs utilize this facility to work out and prepare athletes for competition in the Kansas Jayhawk Conference. Making these improvements will ensure an immediate and significant impact on our current Red Ravens (over 500 student-athletes) and provide a tremendous recruiting tool for the future.

All gifts are appreciated, but we are asking for \$50.00 for the purpose of upgrading this facility and returning it to the finest facility of its kind in the nation.



Please make check payable to:

Champions Making Champions  
Attn: Jeff Leiker – Director of Athletics  
400 W. 11th  
Coffeyville, KS 67337

Thank you for your continued support of CCC, our students, and Red Raven Athletics.

<b>Jeff Leiker</b>	Director of Athletics
<b>Darian Dulin</b>	Head Football Coach
<b>Dick Foster</b>	Football Coach 1975-1988
<b>Skip Foster</b>	Football Coach 1989-2000
<b>Bill Mills</b>	Football Coach 1962-1966
<b>Jay Herkelman</b>	Men's Basketball Coach
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<b>Delice Downing</b>	Volleyball Coach
<b>Craig Perry</b>	Track/CC Coach
<b>Courey Feerer</b>	Men's Soccer Coach
<b>Christie Ellis</b>	Women's Soccer Coach
<b>Andy Morgan</b>	Baseball Coach
<b>Tamika Barnes</b>	Softball Coach
<b>Bill Williamson</b>	Golf Coach
<b>Shalayne Richmond</b>	Cheer Coach
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